

**ASSEMBLY, No. 1990**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**220th LEGISLATURE**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires DEP to adopt Statewide plan to reduce lead exposure from contaminated soils and drinking water.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/2/2022)**

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2 AN ACT requiring the development of a Statewide plan to reduce  
3 lead exposure, and supplementing Title 58 of the Revised  
4 Statutes.

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6 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
7 *of New Jersey:*

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9 1. a. The Department of Environmental Protection shall  
10 develop and adopt, within one year after the effective date of this  
11 act, a Statewide plan to reduce public exposure to lead in the  
12 environment. The department shall use existing soil testing results  
13 from site remediations that have been submitted to the department,  
14 as well as public water supply and private well testing results and  
15 any other relevant information it may have, in preparing the plan  
16 and any updates thereto. The department shall designate those  
17 geographic areas where lead in soils or drinking water poses the  
18 greatest danger of exposure to the public. The department shall  
19 identify public moneys that may be used to address the risks of  
20 exposure to lead and prioritize the expenditure of public moneys to  
21 remediate soils or drinking water supplies to minimize those risks.  
22 The department shall also develop a public education program to  
23 ensure the widespread dissemination of information concerning the  
24 health risks posed by lead exposure and measures that may be taken  
25 to minimize the risks.

26 b. The Statewide plan shall be posted on the department's  
27 Internet website and submitted, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991,  
28 c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), to the Legislature. The department shall  
29 update the Statewide plan as appropriate, but no less frequently than  
30 once every five years.

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32 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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35 STATEMENT

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